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1. ON JANUARY 17 EMBASSY RECEIVED FROM SCST A LETTER FROM DR. ANTONOV FOR TRANSMITTAL TO PROF. GRANT OF MIT ON SUBJECT. LETTER BEING POUCHED UNDER REGISTRY NUMBER 3648299 TO OES/APT. INFORMAL SUMMARY OF LETTER FOLLOWS.

2. PROFESSOR ANTONOV OPENS BY EXPRESSING SATISFACTION WITH DR. GRANT'S SELECTION AS US CO-CHAIRMAN OF ELECTROMETALLURGY JWG. ANTONOV THEN NOTES THAT ACADEMICIAN KIRILLIN HAD GIVEN APPROVAL TO THE PROGRAM OF COOPERATION IN SUBJECT AREA FOR 1978-82 IN A RECENT LETTER TO DR. FRANK PRESS (REF A). ANTONOV REQUESTS THAT US EXPEDITE APPROVAL OF JOINT COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

3. WITH THE AIM OF IMPLEMENTING THE WORKING PROGRAMS AGREED ON AT THE V SESSION OF SUBJECT JWG (KIEV, SEPTEMBER 1977), ANTONOV PROPOSES THE FOLLOWING:

- TO HOLD VI SESSION OF SUBJECT JWG IN THE US AT THE BEGINNING OF PARIL, BEFORE THE NEXT S&T JCM;

- TO ARRANGE SOVIET DELEGATION VISITS TO THE US ON THE THEMES
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ELECTRON BEAM EVAPORATION OF METALIC AND NON-METALLIC MATERIALS IN A VACUUM, FUSION-WELDING METALLURGY, PLASMA-ARC WELDING OF METALLIC MATERIALS, ELECTROSLAG TECHNOLOGY, WELDING PROJECTS IN THE CRYOGENIC PROGRAM, AND SOLID-STATE JOINING TWO WEEKS PRIOR TO THE BEGINNING OF VI SUBJECT JWG MEETING PROPOSED FOR EARLY APRIL TO PERMIT SOVIET PROJECT LEADERS TO MAKE ONLY ONE TRIP TO THE US THIS YEAR AS WELL AS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE JWG.

ANTONOV ASKS THAT HIS US COUNTERPART RESPOND TO THE PROPOSALS ABOVE BY THE BEGINNING OF FEBRUARY.

4. ANTONOV ALSO STATES THAT IT IS NECESSARY TO PLAN MEETINGS TO COORDINATE JOINT INVESTIGATIONS OF THE CRYSTALLIZATION OF LARGE INGOTS AND THE WORK OF THE COATING OF CUTTING TOOLS PROJECTS.

5. IN ADDITION, ANTONOV ADVISES THAT HE SENT ON OCTOBER 18, 1977, THROUGH THIS EMBASSY, SOVIET PROPOSALS ON DESTRUCTIVE MECHANISM AND SUPERPLASTICITY THEMES. HE ASKS THAT THE US EXPEDITE ITS PROPOSALS ON THE METAL PRESSING THEME.

6. FINALLY, ANTONOV PROPOSES, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROTOCOL OF THE LAST JWG SESSION, THAT THE NAME OF SUBJECT WG BE CHANGED TO QUOTE JOINT SOVIET-AMERICAN WORKING GROUP ON METALLURGY UNQUOTE WHICH WILL PROVIDE FOR TWO SUB-GROUPS, ONE ON ELECTROMETALLURGY AND WELDING, AND THE OTHER ON MATERIALS AND METHODS OF TREATING THEM.

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